In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 19, line 11 with the following:

The database management apparatus 10 realizes the data management functions by reading and executing the database management programs recorded in a designated recording medium. The recording medium may include a 'portable' type in the form of FD, CD-ROM, magneto-optical (MO) disk, digital versatile disk (DVD), IC card, etc., or a 'fixed' type in the form of HDD 224 integral to the database management apparatus 10 or provided externally, RAM 222, ROM 223, ~~etc., or a 'communication medium' in the form of a public circuit 206 connected through the modem 205 or LAN/WAN 206 by which the database management apparatus 10 is connected to another computer system 211 and the server 212 and which stores the transmitted program for a short duration~~ etc.